

# ROGERS URGES PURCHASE OF CLYDE LINE WHARVES

Thinks City Should Own Larger Strip of Its Water Front.

## NEEDS FREIGHT COMPETITION

Water-Borne Commerce in Hands of Old Dominion Steamship Company, Controlled by Railroads, Says Chairman of Committee.

"When the business interests of the city make known the necessity of purchasing the old Clyde line wharf, the City Council will acquire the property," said George W. Rogers, chairman of the City Dock, River and Harbor Committee, last night. "The Council has always, in my opinion, stood ready to carry out the wishes of the people, whenever they have been willing to come forward and make them known."

There are few men in Richmond who know the actual water conditions as Mr. Rogers. He has been chairman of the important Council committee for several years, and has always taken an active part in its deliberations. He has made a careful study of local conditions, and has attended a number of big waterways meetings, where he has picked up valuable ideas. His views, therefore, have considerable weight.

## COULD HAVE BOUGHT IN 1908 FOR MUCH LESS MONEY

"The Clyde Line property could have been purchased in 1908 for \$31,452.50," Mr. Rogers continued. "To-day the city is asking approximately \$45,000. The property is regarded as the best place of wharfage in the harbor. Its purchase would connect the city's water front holdings, and permit of an extensive development of terminal facilities. Congress will not continue to appropriate money for the development of the James River and improvement of the Richmond harbor unless the city maintains terminal facilities adequate for the traffic possible."

"Richmond, many hours closer to the South Seas than New York, Baltimore and Philadelphia, with its excellent trunk lines from the North and West, is well situated to handle heavy river shipping. Thousands of tons of heavy freight for the South, which the railways claim to haul at a loss and at the delay of fast freight, could be handled from Richmond if the city had proper terminal facilities."

"Big railway men are no longer hostile to the development of river traffic. I am of the opinion that Richmond will one day own the water front on both sides of the river from the head of navigation to a point two miles below the city, with belt line connecting both sides of the river, with every railroad entering Richmond."

"The Clyde Line property is an important link in this plan, and, in my humble judgment, should be acquired as quickly as the city can expend its money, as a terminal for future development and a most convenient place for the disposition of river sand worth \$1 a cubic yard, which the city before the acquisition of Leister Street property in 1908 sold at 10 cents a cubic yard, when it cost 35 cents a cubic yard to pump out."

## CITY BOTTLED UP BY RAILROAD OWNED STEAMSHIP LINE

When the Clyde Line steamers between Richmond and Philadelphia were withdrawn in June, 1903, and transferred to Newport News, this city received a severe setback as a port. This placed the majority of the water-borne commerce in the hands of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, controlled by four railroads, which in 1906 also acquired the Virginia Navigation Company, a competing river line. For some time the question of having the Interstate Commerce Commission inquire into the relationship between the railways and this steamship line has been suggested.

"On several occasions Richmond enjoyed very favorable concessions from a freight and passenger standpoint, but they were of very short duration, and only existed when there was a temporary misunderstanding between the railroads that control the freight, and from Richmond. With proper terminal facilities, I believe that many more big vessels would come here, and freight rates would be cheapened considerably."

Mr. Rogers stated that his committee has recommended the purchase of the Clyde Line property, and that it is now in the hands of the Finance Committee for action. There could be no better time for the purchase, he believes, than the present.

# CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT RAILROAD Y. M. C. A.

Professor R. E. Gaines and Bishop Collins Will Have Christmas Tree.

S. L. Thomas, general secretary, will speak at the men's meeting this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Railroad Young Men's Christian Association. His subject will be "The Life of Jeremiah." Gospel songs will be a feature of the meeting. Open house will be kept by the association on Friday. A Christmas breakfast will be provided for all men who reside in the dormitory at 9 o'clock in the morning. A Christmas tree will be placed in the auditorium, where a service will be held in the afternoon.

"Father and son" banquet will be held on Tuesday, December 29, at 6:30 o'clock. Professor R. E. Gaines, of Richmond College, and Bishop Collins Denny will be the speakers.

The program is as follows:

Song, by twenty of the mothers, "Home, Sweet Home."

Remarks, by the chairman, E. D. Hotchkiss, general freight agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

Address, by R. E. Gaines, professor of mathematics of Richmond College, on "What a Boy Owes His Father."

Song, by twenty of the mothers and sweethearts of the boys, on "Can a Boy Forget His Mother's Prayer?"

Song, by the fathers and their sons, answering the ladies, on "Tell Mother I'm There."

Address, by Bishop Collins Denny, of the Methodist Church, South, on "What a Father Owes His Son."

Song, by quartet, "Will the Circle Be Unbroken."

Song, all uniting, "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight?"

The object of this service is to draw the father and son closer together and to help establish a confidential and helpful relationship for both.

# The Weather

Forecast: Virginia—Fair and somewhat colder Sunday, Monday cloudy. North Carolina—Cloudy Sunday and Monday; probably local rains.

Local Temperature Yesterday.

12 noon temperature.....	39
3 P. M. temperature.....	41
8 P. M. temperature.....	41
Maximum temperature to 8 P. M.....	42
Minimum temperature to 8 P. M.....	26
Mean temperature.....	34
Normal temperature.....	40
Deficiency in temperature yesterday.....	6
Deficiency in temperature since March 1.....	287
Accumulated deficiency in temperature since January 1.....	306

Local Rainfall Yesterday.

Rainfall last twelve hours.....	.26
Rainfall last twenty-four hours.....	.26
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1.....	10.56
Accumulated deficiency in rainfall since January 1.....	9.76

Local Observations at 8 P. M. Yesterday.

Temperature, 37; humidity, 86; wind, direction, south; wind, velocity, 5; weather, rain.

## CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

(At 8 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.)

Place.	Ther.	H. T. L. T. Weather.
Asheville.....	38	42 23 Cloudy
Atlanta.....	40	40 23 Cloudy
Baltimore.....	42	48 26 Rain
Boston.....	46	48 24 Clear
Buffalo.....	38	44 30 P. cloudy
Calgary.....	16	20 2 Clear
Charleston.....	52	52 40 Rain
Chicago.....	22	28 23 Clear
Denver.....	22	24 13 Clear
Duluth.....	12	20 10 P. cloudy
Galveston.....	54	60 54 Rain
Hatteras.....	44	48 44 Rain
Haver.....	6	6 4 Cloudy
Jacksonville.....	58	66 60 Cloudy
Kansas City.....	29	24 Clear
Louisville.....	34	36 32 Cloudy
Montgomery.....	46	50 44 Rain
New Orleans.....	54	60 50 Cloudy
New York.....	34	40 26 Rain
Norfolk.....	40	48 36 Rain
Okla. City.....	40	48 28 Cloudy
Pittsburgh.....	34	40 24 Cloudy
Raleigh.....	38	42 30 Rain
St. Louis.....	52	56 44 Cloudy
Savannah.....	50	52 42 Cloudy
Spokane.....	24	24 12 Clear
Tampa.....	74	78 58 Cloudy
Washington.....	36	38 28 Rain
Winnipeg.....	4	14 28 Cloudy
Wytheville.....	34	38 28 Cloudy

MINIATURE ALMANAC.  
December, 1914.  
Sun rises.....7:22  
Sun sets.....4:54  
Morning.....7:27  
Evening.....6:12

# AUDITOR MOORE MAKES NO COMMENT ON PAUPERS

Submits Statistical Report Without Criticizing Those Counties Which Fail to Pay.

State Paid Examiner of Records William H. Sands During Last Year Not Commissions of \$15,322.82. Satterfield Drew \$27,320.

State Auditor of Public Accounts C. Lee Moore said yesterday that he had made no criticism of the sixty "pauper counties" listed in his annual report as contributing nothing whatever to the support of the Commonwealth or the payment of the public debt. He submitted his statistical report and left it to others to draw conclusions from what the figures show. He said that the pauper counties were correctly listed, but that it did not seem proper for him, because of his official position, to appear to make any special criticism of individual counties merely for purposes of making striking comparisons.

## INTERESTING INFORMATION AS TO OPERATION OF FEE SYSTEM

The report of Auditor Moore gives some interesting information as to the workings of the fee system in Virginia. The much amended fee bill passed by the last session of the General Assembly does not take effect until January 1, 1915, and thereafter will not be effective until the expiration of the terms of office of the present incumbents. As to the officers, there are no authentic figures, court clerks, for instance, not being required to keep any record of their receipts from the public. Clerk Walter Christian, of the Hustings Court, reported to the State Auditor that he issued 1,644 marriage licenses at \$1 each, making the sum of \$1,644 a part of the incidental income of his office.

The State paid the Commonwealth's attorney of Richmond \$2,180 for attendance on felony cases, the fees of this office having been limited by statute long before the agitation for fee reform assumed definite proportions.

## PICKPOCKETS ACTIVE

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Pickpockets were active yesterday in Richmond, according to a number of reports made to the police during the afternoon and early night. John Cary, of Durham, N. C., reported at the First Station that a pocketbook containing \$15 had been stolen from him at the Main Street Station. C. T. Russell, of Hallsboro, Va., reported that \$30 had been stolen from his pocket while he was awaiting a train at the same place.

Several persons called at Police Headquarters during the afternoon, and reported losses of small amounts of money and articles of slight value, while shopping in the five and ten cent stores. There was one case of bag snatching, but in the majority of the cases the pocket had been picked. Police had made no arrests in any of the cases at an early hour this morning.

## SEEK TO LOCATE RELATIVES

Clifford Davidson Dies Suddenly at His Home in Falls.

Clifford Davidson, thirty years old, died suddenly yesterday at 3527 Williamsburg Avenue of a hemorrhage. He was stricken as he was coming downstairs. The body was taken to the undertaking establishment of A. C. Nelson, where a life insurance policy made out to his sister was found in the young man's possession. Since the police was made out the sister has been married, and her present name is not known. It is also supposed that Davidson had two brothers living in Ohio and one in North Carolina. An effort is being made to find his relatives.

## Convicted of Liquor Selling.

Mary E. Patterson, colored, was yesterday convicted of selling liquor without a license when arraigned before Justice Crutchfield and was fined \$100 and costs and placed under \$500 security for twelve months.

# SPECIAL CHURCH SERVICE FOR ALL TRAVELING MEN

Dr. Gravatt, Chaplain of Post A. T. P. A., Invites Them to Holy Trinity.



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH AND ITS RECTOR.

Rev. John J. Gravatt, D. D., rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, on Lawrence Street, near Main, will hold a special service for traveling men on next Sunday night. Every member of Post A, Travelers' Protective Association, of which Dr. Gravatt is the chaplain, is expected to be present, and all traveling men in the city are invited to attend.

President George W. Rogers, of Post A, is chairman of the committee to stir up the members and see that they attend the service. The other committee men are James T. Ryland, vice-president; H. L. Harwood, secretary; C. A. Crawford, W. Maury Coleman and W. S. Bell.

The members of the post will not go to the church in a body, but will attend as individuals. They are requested to come accompanied by a friend. Dr. Gravatt, who is one of the most popular members of the post, will preach a special sermon. The service will begin at 8 o'clock.

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# ANNOUNCE PRIZE WINNERS

Awards Made by Acca Temple Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The committee in charge of the detailed arrangements for Acca Temple Patrol bazaar, which was recently given in Masonic Temple, announced last night that prizes had been awarded as follows:

Pony and outfit to Charles W. Selden; car of coal, to E. C. Kohler; trunk to Randolph Lipford; shaving set to Charles A. Overton, Jr.; smoking jacket to Miss Dancy; Stetson hat, to W. H. Warren; overcoat, to James Bolton; gold slippers, to Mrs. M. S. Bright; dogs to R. G. Greene and Mrs. G. Jeter Jones; fancy vest, to S. H. Gellman; table runner, to S. J. Donaldson; and the ladies' Shrine Jewel, to John E. Rose, Jr.

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# Try Shoplifting Case December 30.

The case against Nettie Johnson, colored, charged with shoplifting in the Cohen Co. store, was yesterday continued until December 30 by Justice Crutchfield. The woman is alleged to have stolen two sweaters, a pair of leggings and a shawl from the store.

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Sewing Tables, \$10.00 to \$37.00.	Mirrors, \$1.50 to \$110.00.
Muffin Stands, \$6.00 to \$15.00.	Telephone Tables, \$6.00 to \$15.00.
Desks, \$4.95 to \$155.00.	Book Racks, \$1.50 to \$5.50.
Library Tables, \$9.98 to \$65.00.	Nest Tables, \$14.00 to \$50.00.
Cellophane, \$10.50 to \$75.00.	Morris Chairs, \$4.98 to \$35.00.
Trays, \$2.50 to \$10.00.	Bric-a-Brac, 55c to \$95.00.
Waste Baskets, \$1.75 to \$5.00.	Rockers, \$1.00 to \$55.00.
Smoking Stands, \$2.00 to \$17.50.	Doll Carriages, \$1.50 to \$4.25.
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